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INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION FOR THE ERADICATION OF POVERTY IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

Pakistan*: draft resolution

Observance of an international day for the eradication of poverty

The General Assembly,

Reaffirming its resolutions 43/195 of 20 December 1988, 44/212 of 22 December 1989, 45/213 of 21 December 1990 and 46/121 and 46/141 of 17 December 1991,

Recalling its resolution 45/199 of 21 December 1990, in which it proclaimed the Fourth United Nations Development Decade, one of the main characteristics of which is the search for a significant reduction in extreme poverty and a shared responsibility of all countries,

Recalling also the relevant provisions of chapter 3 of Agenda 21, on combating poverty, adopted by the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development at Rio de Janeiro in June 1992, 1/

Noting that the eradication of poverty in all countries, in particular in developing countries, has become one of the priorities of development objectives for the 1990s,

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* On behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77.

1/ See A/CONF.151/26 (vol. I), annex II.

Noting also that efforts at the national and international levels need to be enhanced to ensure the eradication of poverty,

1. Decides to declare 17 October as the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty, to be observed beginning in 1993;

2. Decides also to devote this day to activities of education, sensibilization and mobilization of the international community to the problems of eradicating poverty through the publication and dissemination of documentaries and information concerning the eradication of poverty in all countries, in particular in developing countries;

3. Invites all States to devote that day to presenting and promoting national activities on the eradication of poverty through the organization of conferences, round tables, seminars, workshops and exhibits, and the publication and dissemination of documentaries and information with a view to enhancing public awareness of that problem;

4. Also invites the United Nations system and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to assist Member States, at their request, to organize national activities for the observance of the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty;

5. Requests the Secretary-General to take the measures necessary to ensure the success of the observance by the United Nations of the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty;

6. Also requests the Secretary-General to inform the General Assembly at its fiftieth session on the implementation of the present resolution.